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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : James Cohen

App. No. : 10/045,954

Filed : November 6, 2001

For : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
REGISTRATION AND  
TRACKING OF ITEMS

Examiner : Unknown

Group Art Unit: 2164

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ATTENTION: Director Group 2164

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.36, the Petitioner requests permission to withdraw as attorney for applicant, James Cohen, in all matters pending before the Patent and Trademark Office. The Petitioner is authorized by, and makes this request on behalf of the law firm of Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP (**Customer No. 20,995**), including all of its individual members.

The last known mailing address of Inventor is:

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The basis for the request for withdrawal is 37 C.F.R. § 10.40(c)(1)(vi). The following facts are submitted for consideration:

1. That Applicant has failed to pay one or more bills, the outstanding account balance has been more than \$12,000 for more than a year, and currently stands at \$14,627.47.
2. That the Applicant has failed to pay the current balance.
3. That Applicant was given notice that the Petitioner would withdraw and has failed to execute a Revocation of Power of Attorney as requested on June 17, 2003.

The application was filed on November 6, 2001, and its current status is pending. There is no outstanding term for response.

Therefore, the amount of time for response, including extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), cannot be calculated since this case is awaiting action by the PTO.

The Petitioner has taken reasonable steps to avoid foreseeable prejudice to the rights of the client. Such that the Applicant's rights are preserved, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 10.40(a), the Petitioner has delivered into the possession of the Applicant the following information:

- (1) due notice that the attorney is withdrawing;
- (2) a copy of this petition, including attachments;
- (3) the address of the Patent and Trademark Office where the applicant needs to write;
- (4) an offer to deliver to the client all papers and property to which the client is entitled.

A copy of the letter to the client is attached.

Permission to withdraw is also requested in the following related application of the inventor: PCT case US02/28908

In accordance with 1058 O.G. 32, this petition is enclosed in triplicate to expedite its handling.

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The Petitioner, on behalf of the law firm of Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP (Customer No. 20,995), including all of its individual members, respectfully requests permission to withdraw as attorney in the above-referenced cases now pending before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office.

Respectfully submitted,

KNOBBE, MARTENS, OLSON & BEAR, LLP

Dated: 7/17/03

By: Gordon H. Olson

Authorized and Signing on behalf  
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July 17, 2003

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Re: U.S. Patent Application  
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR REGISTRATION AND TRACKING OF  
ITEMS  
U.S. Application No.: 10/045,954  
Filed: November 6, 2001  
Our Reference: JCOH.001A

Dear Jim:

We have received no reply to our letter of June 17, 2003 in which we informed you of our decision to withdraw from representing you and requested that you sign and return a "Revocation of Power of Attorney."

Since no reply to our letter was received, we have petitioned the Patent Office to withdraw as your attorneys. A copy of the "Petition for Withdrawal as Attorney" is enclosed.

Please take notice of the following facts. Your U.S. application was filed on November 6, 2001 and its current status is pending. There is no outstanding term for response.

Therefore, the amount of time for response, including extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), cannot be determined since this case is awaiting action by the PTO. Future correspondence regarding your U.S. patent matter should be addressed to:

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Any such correspondence should clearly identify the serial number and filing date of your application, and should be directed to Group Art Unit 2164.

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Since the U.S. application was filed after June 7, 1995, the life of any patent issued on it will expire at a date that begins to run from the filing date, rather than the issue date, as in the past. However, the patent will not become effective until it is issued, and thus, if the application is not prosecuted promptly to issuance, the effective life of the patent will be shortened.

Your PCT application, PCT/US02/28908, was filed on September 9, 2002 and will require action by March 7, 2004, as explained in the attached letter.

We regret that this matter has to be resolved in this manner. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Gordon H. Olson

Enclosures

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Re: **30-MONTH NATIONAL PHASE LETTER**  
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR REGISTRATION  
AND TRACKING OF ITEMS  
Applicant: James Cohen  
PCT Application No.: PCT/US02/28908  
Our Reference: JCOH.001VPC

Dear Jim:

It will soon be time to decide whether or not to complete the National Phase of the above-mentioned PCT application by filing the application in those countries you want. **Failure to take the necessary steps by the deadline specified in this letter will result in irreversible loss of patent rights in the relevant countries.**

## Cost Estimates

In this case, you have selected the following PCT countries. Thus you may choose to complete the national phase in United Arab Emirates, Antigua, Albania, Armenia, Austria, Australia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Barbados, Bulgaria, Belarus, Belize, Canada, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Czech Republic, Germany, Dominica, Algeria, Ecuador, Estonia, Spain, United Kingdom, Grenada, Georgia, Ghana, Gambia, Croatia, Hungary, Indonesia, Israel, India, Iceland, Japan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Republic of Korea, Kazakhstan, Saint Lucia, Sri Lanka, Liberia, Lesotho, Lithuania, Latvia, Morocco, Republic of Moldova, Madagascar, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Mongolia, Malawi, Mexico, Mozambique, New Zealand, Oman, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Sudan, Slovenia, Slovakia, Sierra Leone, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Tunisia, Turkey, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Vietnam, Zimbabwe, Europe (including Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Switzerland/Liechtenstein, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Germany, Denmark, Estonia, Spain, Finland, France, United Kingdom, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Monaco, Netherlands, Portugal, Sweden, Slovakia and Turkey), ARIPO (including Ghana, Gambia, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Sudan, Sierra Leone, Swaziland, United Republic of Tanzania, Uganda,

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Zambia, and Zimbabwe), OAPI (including Burkina Faso, Benin, Central African Republic, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cameroon, Gabon, Guinea, Equatorial Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, Chad, Togo), and Eurasian Patent (including Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation, Tajikistan, and Turkmenistan). The most commonly filed of these countries are Australia, Canada, Japan, Mexico, Russian Federation, and Europe. Thus, the following is an estimate of the approximate cost for proceeding with the national-phase filing of your PCT application in these commonly filed countries:

Australia	\$2,400
Canada (includes first annuity)	\$2,200
Europe (includes examination fee and first annuity)	\$9,600
Japan	\$8,500
Mexico	\$5,500
Russian Federation	\$6,000

These estimates include both our fees and our foreign associates' fees, together with the local official fees and the cost of translation, where necessary to establish a filing. You will appreciate that these estimates are rather approximate. They are based on previous experience and do not take into account fluctuations in official fees, currency exchange, or unpredictable costs. These estimates do not include expenses that will be incurred after completing the national-phase filing, such as prosecution, grant, and maintenance fees.

We have found that our estimates for countries other than Europe, Canada, Australia, and Japan, often differ substantially from the actual cost incurred. This is due to instability in the rate of inflation and currency exchange rates in many such countries. If you would like more accurate estimates for any countries, we would be glad to inquire with our foreign associates regarding your specific case.

#### European Application

If you decide to continue with this application in Europe, a request for examination of the European application will also be due by March 7, 2004 and will cost approximately \$2,500. This cost is included in the estimate given above. There will also be substantial expenses incurred when the European patent is granted. At that time, it will be necessary to pay substantial fees to the European Patent Office and to pay for the completion of formalities and, in many cases, translations for the countries designated in the European application and where it is desired to maintain the European patent.

You may decide to withdraw some of the countries designated in the European patent application now. Withdrawal of countries from the European application would save about \$160

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per country, but please note that withdrawn countries cannot be reinstated later. You will have another opportunity to withdraw these European countries when the European patent is granted.

It is also possible to extend the European application to Albania, Lithuania, Latvia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Romania, and Slovenia. The cost for each country is approximately \$250.

**Deadline for National Phase**

The National Phase must be completed by **March 7, 2004**. Sufficient time must be allowed for mailing and completing of the formalities.

Sincerely,



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cc: International Docketing

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June 17, 2003

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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR REGISTRATION AND TRACKING OF ITEMS  
U.S. Application No.: 10/045,954  
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Dear Jim:

We had hoped by now to have reached a mutually acceptable resolution with respect to payments on your account. Your account balance now stands at \$14,522, most of which was incurred in connection with filing your U.S. patent application.

In view of the foregoing, we have decided to withdraw from representing you and incurring additional fees and costs in connection with your pending patent applications.

Please sign and return the enclosed "Revocation of Power of Attorney" form and we will forward all files to you. If we do not receive the executed form by June 30, 2003, we will petition the Patent Office to withdraw as your attorneys and direct the PCT authorities to communicate directly with you. We regret that this matter has to be resolved in this manner. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
  
Gordon H. Olson

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Dear Sir:

The undersigned hereby revokes any previous powers of attorney in the subject application, namely that of Knobbe, Martens, Olson & Bear, LLP, including all of the individual members of the firm, 2040 Main Street, Fourteenth Floor, Irvine, California 92614, and requests that all future communications with respect thereto from the Patent and Trademark Office be forwarded to James Cohen, located at 5901 Warner Avenue, Huntington Beach, CA 92649.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
James Cohen